

T.V. Quiz Trio Is In Playoff; Loses To Regis

With speedy precision, our team of "It's Academic" scholars again answered their way to victory on a May 2 taping. Captain Peter Kostant and panel Paul Spirn and Stuart Rothenberg attained a score of 515, to top their opponents from Valley Stream, 290, and Spring Valley, 185.

The results of this game were another set of Great Books of the Western World for our school, and a place in the final playoff among the top three schools in the city.

The playoff was taped on May 16, with Lincoln High School and Regis High School opposing us. A final tally placed Regis first in the city, with 410 points, our team second with 310 points, and Lincoln third, with 125 points.

According to Art James, moderator of "It's Academic," a total of 63 New York City high schools have participated on the program, since its inception in September of 1963.

Our team, although it never needed them, had a group of three alternates behind it, in case of emergency. They were Kenneth Fischer, David Maisel, and Robert Wasserman.

Said captain Peter Kostant after the last taping, "C'est la vie!"

The programs will be shown on June 7 and June 21, on Channel 4.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Spring Concert—May 29, 30
Brooklyn Day—June 4
Regents' Examinations—June 16-19
Commencement—June 23

Seniors Are Delegates At The Model Congress

With a bang of the gavel, the twenty-fourth Annual Brooklyn High School Model Congress at Brooklyn College began its legislative session Saturday, May 9. Fourteen high schools participated in the two-day meeting.

The previous afternoon, delegates formed various committees in order to discuss the bills and resolutions that were to be reported out of committee.

Saturday morning Congressman John Lindsay, Republican from Manhattan, addressed the Congress for a half-hour. He discussed the importance of the legislative function and paralleled the workings of Congress to those of the Model Congress.

Representing our school were Larry Cornek, Martin Goldrich, Bruce Kramer, George Leibowitz, Robert Levine, David Maisel, Jim McCormick, Sheila Mintz, Gerald Raskin, Stuart Rothenberg, and Robert Wasserman.

Faculty, Friends, And Officials Honor Retiring Administrator



MISS COREY: Speaks to guests at luncheon

by James Dinerstein . . .

This June Miss Grace L. Corey, after a lifetime of dedication and service, will retire, and on May 9 the faculty and P.T.A. recognized her 45 years of accomplishment as history teacher, grade adviser, and administrative assistant, by holding a luncheon in her honor at the Hotel Roosevelt.

Commission Portrait

Dignitaries of the Board of Education, as well as of the school, attended, with Dr. Bernard Donovan, deputy superintendent of the high school division, Dr. Seelig Lester, assistant superintendent of the high school division, and divisional administrative assistant, Mr. Arthur Chapell delivering addresses. Chairman of the English department, Dr. A. Barnett Langdale, served as master of ceremonies, while Mrs. Harriet Oxman, Miss Corey's assistant, was luncheon chairman. Miss Ellen Batchelor, Mrs. Ruth Ginsberg and Mr. Morris Rohrberg also assisted in planning the luncheon.

Present Necklace

One of the highlights of the program was a speech by Mrs. Claire Maisel, a representative of the P.T.A., in which she disclosed the commissioning of Mr. Furman J. Finck to paint a portrait of Miss Corey. Mr. Finck, a noted artist, has painted the portraits of former presidents as well as stage personalities. The painting will hang permanently outside the administrative building.

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Seniors Get Financial Grants; Rothenberg Receives Pulitzer

"The winning of scholarships gained by receiving grants from special associations and universities, has reached a point beyond all expectations," declared Mrs. Ruth Ginsberg, college adviser. As of May 8, 41 seniors were recipients.

Stuart Rothenberg, winner of a Joseph Pulitzer Scholarship from Columbia, also received grants from Brown University and Cornell University.

In the National Competitive Scholastic Examinations administered by Howard University, Larry Ramsey and Lois Bounty gained recognition. Robert Charles, Risa Haas, Stephen Sidorsky, Stanley Schneider, Gerald Raskin, Carol Lewbell, and Mitchell Klein received scholarships from Long Island University either on the basis of competitive examinations or their grades.

The University of Rochester awarded a grant to Kenneth Daniels, and honorary scholarships to Diana Ackerman, Nancy Wulwick, and Gerald Sussman.

Christina Bauers gained aid from the University of Pennsylvania and Muhlenberg College, Alan Baum from Columbia and M.I.T., Carol Birnbaum from Bernard Baruch, Eileen Blank from Adelphi College, Linda Burnham from Bennett College, and Lawrence Cornek and Susan Kagan from N.Y.U.

Linguistics Scholars Compete For Honors

Every year the New York Classical Club, under the auspices of Columbia University, sponsors a Latin competition for high school students. Representing the school in the contest on May 8 were Betsy Kreeger and Susan Leibowitz, fourth year; Raymond Greenfield and Marilyn Winer, third year; and Lesley Goldberg, Alyson Gould, and Seymour Shaw, second year.

Duke University and the University of Pittsburgh bestowed grants to Kenneth Fischer, Columbia to Paul Spirn, Alan Suntup (he also received aid from Polytechnic Institute), Peter Gross, and Gary Greenstein, Sarah Lawrence to Ronnie Friedland, the University of Bridgeport to Arlene Grosvenor. Yeshiva University to Martin Kartin, Yale University to Peter Kostant, and Smith College to Debbie Lew.

Anton Krone received an honorary grant from Johns Hopkins University, while the University of New Hampshire gave aid to Irwin Schwartz.

Squire Prexy in G.O. Election; Ellen Is Veep, Sharon Scribe



Mr. Weiss congratulates new president, Jason Squire

by Aurelia Dong

Juniors Jason Squire, Ellen Schuster, and Sharon Schonhaut gained the top executive offices of president, vice-president, and secretary of the school in the G.O. elections on May 1.

Jason Squire won the presidency with the overwhelming support of 2,405 students. Candidates Karen Davis placed second with 938 votes, while Larry Merrill came in third with 796.

In the vice-presidential battle, Ellen

Schuster, with the total of 1,663 ballots, topped Bella Rabinko's 1,557 ayes. Debby Redd received 857 votes.

Sharon Schonhaut's 1,797 ballots secured her the position of secretary. Rose Gordon, who had 1,164 votes, and Martha Richter who gained 1,123 votes, placed second and third.

Victorious president Jason Squire commented, "First I want to thank everyone who supported me, and especially those who worked so hard with me throughout the whole campaign. I would like to reaffirm my belief that the best student government is one in which the suggestions of every student carry equal weight."

G.O. secretary Sharon Schonhaut asked for the continued support of the G.O., saying, "With the greater student interest, your officers will be able to organize activities and secure more G.O. discounts."

Mr. Philip Weiss, G.O. adviser, declared he was satisfied with the G.O. elections. Said he, "I am sure that the new G.O. officers will do an excellent job when they take over next term. I think that the students showed excellent judgment in making their choices for the various student officers."

Junior Wins Posture Contest; Poster Artists Receive Prizes



CONGRATULATIONS: Dr. McNeill gives medal to Queen, Roberta Dobin as runners-up Ann Greenberg and Cathy Hughes watch

by Nadine Seltzer

Tears rolled down the cheek of petite junior, Roberta Dobin, when, at a tension-filled moment, Mrs. Keenan announced that she was the winner of the sixteenth Annual Posture Contest, held in Gym 125, Wednesday, May 13. Ann Greenberg and Cathy Hughes were the second and third place winners.

As photographers crowded around for snapshots, Miss Erasmus, gold-crowned, still dazed and very happy, could only say, "I'm in another world."

The panel of distinguished judges and guests who decided this year's winners, included: Dr. John F. McNeill, Miss Grace L. Corey, Mr.

Philip Weiss, Mr. Fred Levenson, Mrs. Harriet Oxman and Miss Erna Fleischer of our own staff. Also represented were the chairmen of the girl's health education departments of several city high schools, including: Tilden, Newton, Wingate, New Utrecht and Fort Hamilton. Miss Cora Cahan, a celebrated modern dancer, was not only a judge, but also the guest speaker.

The contest was an exciting one, using marching and dancing as the main determinates. There were three eliminations—from seventy to eleven to six and then to the final three. All the contestants had won elimination contests.

World's Fair Offers Marvels; Corporations Have New Role

Jonathon Swift's classic, *Gulliver's Travels*, is at once a portrait of a delightful fantasy land, a joy for the young, and a biting and satiric look at 19th century life. Which depends on how deep one wishes to read. The same holds true for Mr. Moses' Flushing Meadows colossus, although one wonders how intentional was the serious side.

Fantasy Land

Fantasy land it is, all the ingredients are there. Strange, rolling and bending configurations of concrete loom about you, while slightly potbellied, middle-aged men, clad in shorts, long white socks and little black Robin Hood caps complete with pink feathers, run about with their General Motors Futurama badge "I Have Seen the Future" pinned proudly to their shirts.

There is a 7Up pavilion where one can drink all the lukewarm 7Up he desires, and a Coca-Cola Tower which we didn't bother to investigate.

Corporation Influence

Yet hidden beneath this "never-never land" atmosphere there are subtle signs which point up one of today's major issues—the growing, all-pervading influence of the giant corporation in our everyday lives. Over the entrance to one large pavilion bold-face type declares: "Many Hands and Many Minds Serving the Needs of Mankind."

Now, time was when a slogan like that would come from a Church or



MARVEL: Children watch probability machine

some religious organization. Yet, it was not over the "Protestant and Orthodox Center" or the "Billy Graham Pavilion" that this phrase appeared, but rather over the soaring arches of the "General Motors Futurama."

Graduate Hails Senior Class

June 23 is approaching more rapidly than we think. Perhaps there are teachers who have failed to fully appreciate our endearing qualities in our tenure here as students.

Do these teachers remember our methods of taking examinations? If they do, they are aware that we would never have dreamed of coming to school without extensive preparation and comprehensive study.

If they remember our attendance records, they surely know that we never missed a lesson. They must realize that when the warm weather arrived, we never entertained any notion of being absent. Our attendance from April to June was, of course, always perfect, and never influenced in the slightest by the advent of the baseball season.

Speaking of baseball, it may have been in their imagination, but it always seemed that a lot of radio earplugs appeared about the middle of October. It always seemed that this phenomenon took place at World Series time, but it was probably just a coincidence.

We are sure that our three years here have been as enjoyable for our teachers as they have been for us. We have done our best to lighten their load; if they did not appreciate us, it wasn't our fault.

Guidelines for Guidance

by Howard Spiegler

The Guidance Office has announced some "very important" information for students who expect to attend college. Mrs. Fanny Spieler and Mrs. Ruth Ginsberg, guidance counselors, cited two major points of interest as well as other college data.

They stated that a new city community college is opening in September. The school is Kingsborough Community College, which will be part of the City University. A candidate will have to take the College Boards for admittance to the school. A second very significant item concerns those students who will graduate in January, 1965. These students must take the College Boards this July, if they did not take them in May, to meet college entrance re-

quirements for Kingsborough Community College. The guidance counselors also had some relevant information for those in the junior class. These pupils are advised to apply early in the Fall term to the colleges of their choice. This is especially true for those applying to the University of Michigan and to any of the schools in the State University.

Finally, each college-bound junior is reminded to get his Social Security number. The Social Security card is a necessity for filing an application to any school.

"The above information should be considered carefully to insure against difficulties when applying," added Mrs. Ginsberg and Mrs. Spieler.

A Danger Cited

The recent government report on smoking served to focus attention on the dangers inherent in the habit; however, the powers that be have largely ignored the more acute problem of the drinking of alcoholic beverages, especially in connection with young people, particularly those who drive.

The New York Legislature, long a proponent of needed reforms, has not heeded the vast multitude of voices protesting New York's refusal to raise the legal drinking age from eighteen to twenty-one. This failure has made New York a haven for teens from surrounding states who haven't yet reached their state's twenty-one year minimum drinking limit. The broken bodies and tangled wreckage found along the highways leading to and from the state bear mute testimony to the effectiveness of New York liquor to quench young lives, as well as thirsts.

Within the state itself, dishonest liquor dealers, advertisements using liquor as the exponent of "inness," and the spreading accessibility of liquor in drug stores and even supermarkets have all contributed greatly to the problem.

But even the ill-fated Moreland Commission doubted that "any form of direct individual control is either workable or desirable."

Therefore, because the final verdict on liquor rests with the citizenry and the citizenry alone, we must not make any far-reaching decision with judgments based on myths and half truths, but we should know solid facts.

A Thank You Note

Few people have had as great an effect on the lives of the students and teachers within the four walls of the school as has Miss Grace L. Corey. Her strong spirit, and her desire for the betterment of the school have benefited everyone greatly.

Her firm hand has helped guide many students and teachers. She has been more than an administrative assistant; she has been a symbol of everything that we stand for here.

This June marks the end of her forty-fifth year in the service of the school. It is difficult to thank enough a woman who has done so much for us. All we can say is: "We thank you very much, Miss Corey, and hope you will enjoy your well-earned leisure."

Senior President Reminisces; Calls High School "Maturing"

by Michael Hayman

The majority of the students in the lounge were seniors, laughing and talking excitedly. As graduation nears, very few of these relaxed moments remain. Amid this clamor I interviewed the senior president, Richard Baron.

When asked how he felt at this point of his high school career, he replied, "I regret leaving, but still I'm looking ahead to college. Soon many of us will be attending school in different places and these are some of our last times together. High school was a turning point. Here many decided to continue their schooling, others to get jobs. More important, I think, is that we matured here."

"Much of the presidency," he continued, "included officiating at



SENIOR PRESIDENT:
Richard Baron

senior ceremonies, such as Senior Day and Celebrities. I was a member of the Student Council and assisted in the arranging of class and school activities. I tried to get a prom and a boat ride, but the student body would not support it."

When I asked Richard if he thought he was representative of his class, he responded, "I think the seniors voted for someone that was a little like each of them."

"Senioritis?" Richie said sheepishly, repeating part of my question, "That can be both good and bad. We're together now and want to have some fun but the fun can be very distracting." Richard Baron will be at the State University in autumn, far from high school. He is looking for diversification and new acquaintances. In many ways he reflects the average senior fixing his eyes ahead to some goal and resolving to achieve it.

The period ended, the room emptied quickly. For a short moment a hushed silence returned.

Becket Shows Power Contest

The screen version of Jean Anouilh's prose drama "Becket" is a major movie accomplishment. It thunders across broad English meadows and parades solemnly through fifteenth century castles and cathedrals, Richard Burton presents a masterful portrayal of Sir Thomas Becket, Archbishop of Canterbury. Peter C. Toole embodies his sire, King Henry.

The story concerns the transformation of man both in character and spirit. Becket, a young man with little ambition, a wastrel, realizes a responsibility towards God and aspires to the priesthood. Henry is an honest, forthright gentleman, prizing the friendship of the Archbishop, but also, and somewhat reluctantly, granting Becket his will.

The ordaining of Becket is a highly technical, faithful recreation of the Church's proudest and most solemn ceremony. It typifies the skill and creativity of the entire set design. One must not take the technicolor for granted. It is used effectively to make the fine distinctions in facial expressions.

The triumph of "Becket" lies in the tasteful and poignant presentation of human emotion. The love two men have for each other is strained and destroyed. One man, Becket recognizes his duty as a prelate. The other, Henry IV, must see his ambitious plans crumble. Becket murdered at the behest of his sovereign triumphs in death as in life.

Richard Burton's astonishing versatility enables the audience to feel his inner struggle. O'Toole delivers a polished performance of a man beset by conflicting duties.

ODE—1764

How sleep the brave, who sink to rest
By all their country's wishes blest!
When Spring, with dewy fingers cold,
Returns to deck their hallowed mold,
She there shall dress a sweeter sod
Than Fancy's feet have ever trod.

—William Collins

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Regents Rule; Pupils Cringe

by Marilyn Winer

"Slap!" I closed my book, the last of those great monsters to come parading across my desk until the soft hues of summer begin to blend into the vibrant shades of autumn and so onto school again. Having taken drastic measures, like studying, to fortify myself against the onslaught of those merciless exams, the passing of which would enable my escape from these halls of wisdom, I prepared to meet my doom. "Gee," I thought, "I wonder what those first Regents at Erasmus were like." I decided that I would find out.

Represent Question Mark

The Regents, as they loom before us, represent a huge question mark in our lives. The Board of Regents, which passes judgment upon us, represents nothing at all. We see it in our mind's eye as a group of stuffy, old men with beady eyes and the omnipresent cigars, seated at a huge conference table, our answer papers passing among their grubby hands as each answer is scrutinized and marked in red.

Supervises Students

It's a colorful thought, but as I soon discovered, just a figment of my imagination. The word, regent, is an Old English one, designating a person who rules in place of another. It was handed down from generation to generation and gradually became known as one of the supervisory board of a university. It was at this point that it was incorporated into the constitution of the State of New York as a body which is to regulate and supervise all education in this State . . . and that it did.

In fact, many think that it became overzealous in its duties when it came up with the exciting new

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Brooklyn Life Was Happy One For Administrative Assistant

by Sheldon Finkelstein

Large institutions have a tendency to lumber along with their own momentum, while the men and women who make them up come and go, leaving behind them little of permanence. Yet for the past forty-five years, our unwieldy labyrinth of corridors, stairways and classrooms has grown and developed under a very special kind of influence, that of Miss Grace L. Corey, an influence which has left an indelible mark upon this institution.

She performs many invaluable functions here. Admissions, guidance, the Parent-Teachers' Association, interviewing new personnel, and many other duties are within the scope of her work.

Erasmus Graduate

Miss Corey is a native Brooklynite. She went to P.S. 139, and spent her four high school years in Erasmus Hall. From there she went on to study at Adelphi University.

Her first year of teaching was at Manual Training High School. Then she returned to her alma mater, Erasmus Hall to teach.

She later became a grade adviser and remained in that position for fourteen and a half years. During that time two of the pupils whom she was in charge of were Mrs. Elsie Robinson, and Miss Ellen Batchelor, who now also have positions at Erasmus Hall. In 1945 Miss Corey became administrative assistant.

Names Mentors

It was in high school that she decided to enter teaching. Two teachers, Miss Mabel Chesley, and Miss Meta Schultz influenced her greatly, and helped her make this decision.

Her favorite subjects were health education and history, which she later taught. Her hobbies included basketball, horserback riding, and field hockey.

Persons who are as dedicated to their professions as Miss Corey appear very infrequently. Erasmus Hall has been extremely fortunate to have her within its arches.

Miss C. Plans; Leisure Ahead

As her long career here comes to an end and she leaves her post as administrative assistant, Miss Grace L. Corey plans for a happy and fruitful retirement; when we spoke to her, she was glad to tell us of her intentions.

Asked about her hobbies and interests, she cited reading and the ballet, but also indicated that she intends to devote time to other activities—"I'll renew some friendships," she said, "that I've just been too busy to keep up in recent years."

Most significant, perhaps, is her continuing drive to help people, for she stresses the fact that she will probably do volunteer work for the Red Cross. Since she lives nearby, she will also keep in touch with events here.

As for the immediate future, her plans for the next few months, Miss Corey told us that she will spend the summer in the mountains. She anticipates the trip eagerly, and says of the opportunities there for relaxation, "I'll be canoeing and walking all over—'tramping around,' you might say. Then, too, there is horserback riding—and I'll be looking for a good horse."

One point which Miss Corey tried to bring out when she spoke to us was that she intends to remain in Brooklyn, where she has always lived. Pressed further for information about her plans, she simply said, "Aside from what I've already said, my future is unknown; I just hope to keep busy."

To Miss Corey:

We can think of no writer, past nor present, who could adequately portray your goodness in words. Your speeches in chapel, your greetings in the hall, your understanding and kindness will be what we remember. Long after you leave, students will feel your presence and will see the results of your labor.

No praise, no thanks could be aimed high enough nor said loud enough.

THE DUTCHMAN STAFF.

Administrative Assistant Now, She Has Seen School Develop

by Miriam Gottdank

Somewhere in her busy schedule Miss Grace L. Corey, administrative assistant, finds time to stroll through the flowery, springtime campus which she is soon to leave. Miss Corey, herself once a student here, has for many years served as a teacher and a counselor.

Compares Activities

When asked how her school has changed since she first came here Miss Corey said, "Many of the activities I enjoyed as a student are still around. Some of these are the music clubs, literary activities, girl's hockey and basketball. Then, however, there were fewer outside activities so that school affairs played a greater role in the students' lives. There were a great many class affairs which I enjoyed very much. We had quite a few grade dances and a senior prom held in the school."

"One of my favorite events," continued Miss Corey, "was the annual play held at the Brooklyn Academy of Music by the students. The dramatic club was very active and I particularly enjoyed their performances."

Courses Change

In response to a query regarding the ways which teaching has changed Miss Corey said, "The program of studies has been altered. Four years of Latin were required of every student besides French or German. The student had very little choice about what his program contained."

The many duties of her office brought Miss Corey back from her reflections of the past.



AT WORK: Miss Grace L. Corey

Former Adviser, Miss Cameron, Speaks of a Long-Time Friend

by Sandy Stuart

Friendship, peculiar boon of Heaven, The noble mind's delight and pride, To men and angels only giv'n, To all the lower world denied.

—Samuel Johnson

I picked up the phone and dialed her number.

"Miss Cameron?" I said. "I'm from the DUTCHMAN and I'd like to speak with you about Miss Corey."

The voice at the other end said cheerfully, "It's nice to hear from the DUTCHMAN again."

"Oh," I said, "you know the DUTCHMAN?"

Miss Cameron knew the DUTCHMAN but, alas, I didn't know enough about Miss Cameron. Turned out that she was once a grade adviser at our school.

It also turned out that she went to high school and college with Miss Corey. They were in some of the same classes and graduated the same year.

She remembered Miss Corey as a "good student" in high school who played hockey on Saturday morning.

At Adelphi, Miss Corey continued as an excellent student. According to Miss Cameron, she was important in college life.

"I remember," Miss Cameron said, "that after I had organized the athletic banquet, Miss Corey sent me a warm and gracious letter of congratulations. She always was

punctilious about doing the right thing in the right way."

I learned further that upon her graduation, Miss Cameron taught Spanish and later English while Miss Corey taught history.

Miss Corey was a grade adviser first. When Miss Cameron won the honored post, Miss Corey gave her a written book of instructions which Miss Cameron now refers to as her "bible."

Do the two women still maintain their friendship? Yes. They see each other often.

"It's a great feeling to be part of her list of friends," Miss Cameron said.

Faculty Salutes Miss Corey; Recognizes Her Effort Here



QUIET MOMENT: Miss Grace L. Corey

Miss Ellen Batchelor: With her warm humanity, Miss Corey has made working with her a rare privilege and lots of fun as well; I consider myself lucky to have had this opportunity.

Mrs. Fanny Spieler: She has been the dedicated upholder of the best traditions that Erasmus exemplifies to the city and to the country.

Mr. Ellis Katzman: Miss Corey has been a guide and inspiration to two generations of Erasmus Hall pupils and teachers.

Mr. Irving Pollack: In a large measure the success of Erasmus has been made possible through her efforts. Her high standards have reflected themselves in the achievements of our students.

Miss Ruth Everett: She's a great educator and we were lucky to have her here at Erasmus Hall. I hope she will have many more happy and successful years.

Miss Erna Fleischer: It's been a rare privilege to get to know Miss Corey through working with her on school projects. She's a magnanimous and gracious lady.

Mr. Seymour Parness: I owe most of my success as a grade adviser to Miss Corey's patient help and advice during the first two years that I served on the job.

Mr. Philip Weiss: Erasmus will certainly miss her devotion to duty and her indomitable spirit. The school will not seem the same without her.

Dr. A. B. Langdale: An article in the May, 1912 issue of the Erasmusian described her as follows: "Grace Corey is always able to get the ball at a crisis." This is a very fitting and perpetual description—it will always apply.

Personality Studied; Writers Favor Grace

The mind to me an empire is, While grace affordeth health.

—Robert Southwell

There is something in a face, An air, and a peculiar grace, Which boldest painter cannot trace.

—William Somerville

Beauty of style and harmony and grace and good rhythm depend on simplicity.

—Plato

Give us grace and strength to forbear and to preserve.

—Robert Louis Stevenson

Angel and ministers of grace defend us.

See, what a grace was seated on this brow.

—William Shakespeare

I care not, Fortune, what you me deny:

You cannot rob me of free Nature's grace.

—James Thomson

God in his mercy lent her grace . . .

—Alfred Lord Tennyson

Principal Praises Assistant, Lauds Years of Service Here



ON CAMPUS: Miss Corey and Dr. McNeill admire the scenery

Dear Miss Corey:

As you approach the close of your long, distinguished service in Erasmus Hall, all of us in the school join in an expression of gratitude for all you have done. The school, the community, the students, and the faculty, are all deeply indebted to you; we are all better because of your work here.

Memory takes me back to 1924 when Dr. Low appointed me grade adviser for the Class of June 1928. I knew nothing about the job. From you, however, I, like many others, received all the help and guidance one needed to do a job in which you were expert.

In your many years in Erasmus Hall your work has been distinguished by thoroughness, accuracy, and efficiency. You have willingly taken not one but a half-dozen provinces of

school life as your special responsibility. In your work you have manifested outstanding devotion to duty, complete unselfishness, a degree of integrity that has been an inspiration to all, and a deep and constant concern for the welfare of our children. Who can measure the extent of the influence of such a person as you? To the bewildered, you have given assurance; to the doubting, new faith; and to those beset by problems, you have given help. You have been a tower of strength, a never-failing source of wise counsel, and a positive champion of youth.

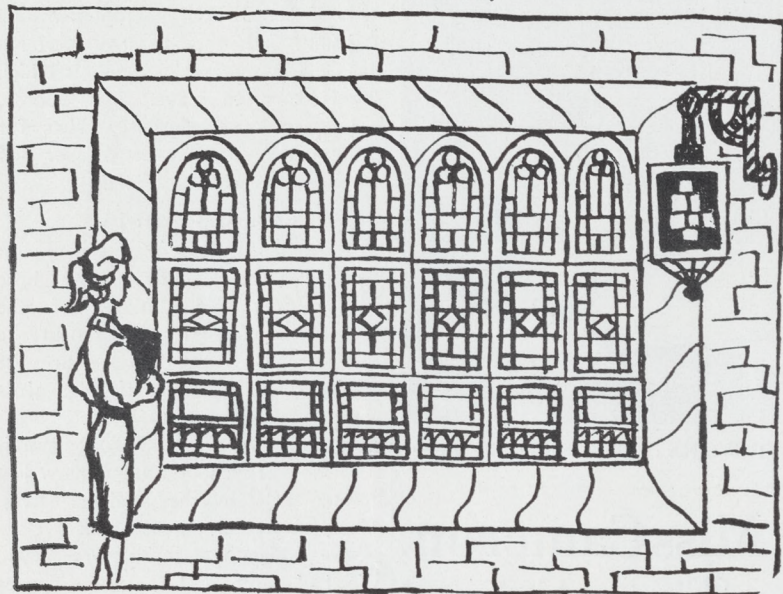
As you go out from Erasmus Hall, you carry with you the best wishes of the thousands whom you have met in your work here. We all wish you many years of enjoyable leisure!

Sincerely yours,

John F. McNeill, Principal

Stained Glass Windows Tell Story of School's Heritage

by Paul Witkowski



As the sun rises over Brooklyn, a window in our student lounge captures the reflected rays and gleams gold; in the afternoon, the window captures the colors of sunset in all their splendor. In chapel, the window above the stage gleams in the brilliance of day, and in the room called the Tower Studio the characters of *Hans Brinker* shine translucent in the daylight. Students look, and thus they see the heritage of their school in glass.

Best known of the three beautiful memorial windows at Erasmus is

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idea of "Examinations for Regents' Certificates of Academic Scholarship," back in 1875.

It was in February of that year, on the 25th and 26th days of the month, that Erasmusians first experienced, "... some nervousness calculated to prevent the pupils from doing themselves full justice."

As it nears that time again, Erasmusians, recall all of the wisdom which you have gained from these paragraphs. After all, it might come in handy on your history regents—for instance, a query concerning the Board?

Test Students

Research has shown that they have changed little if at all, except in the way of content. Rules for seating pupils, for opening envelopes, for distributing questions, for furnishing paper and pens, and for refusing explanations remain much the same. In a like manner, the question as to the fairness of the exams keeps cropping up in much the same way as it did in 1875 when pupils were presented with an example which called for an original problem in proportion.

Pass Regents

Technically, 18 correct answers out of 24 were needed to pass arithmetic while 60 out of 80 could pass you in grammar, 30 out of 40 in geography, and 80 words spelled correctly out of 100 could get you through the spelling exam. Compared to today, Erasmusians of 1875 had a rough time of it. It was not until June, 1923, that the passing grade was lowered to 65%.

The Board, however, seemed satisfied with the results. Out of the thirteen who presented themselves for the Regents, four passed arithmetic, six passed grammar, six passed geography, and four passed spelling. The samples of penmanship were all found to be satisfactory.

the huge Alumni Window, dedicated 18 June, 1911, which is the central feature of the chapel. A unique replica of Flemish and Italian glasswork in the time of Erasmus, this brilliant mural in glass has as its central panel a seated figure of Erasmus surrounded by boys and girls, with the symbolic figures of Science, Theology, Philosophy, Literature, Friendship, and Virtue Crowned standing above them. Outer panels represent important events in the life of the great man, and the seals of our school and its library are placed at the top. When the window was presented by the alumni, Principal Walter B. Gunnison said "No more fitting a memorial could be made," and there is no doubt that it is today a fine and beautiful part of the school.

In what was then the library and is now the student lounge, a presentation was made on 2 May, 1919 of a memorial window to Walter Gunnison himself. After a speech by Dr. Herbert Low, then principal, the glass, with its stately figure of the Spirit of Education, was unveiled, and since then it has looked down upon the campus from above the Flatbush Arch.

Dutch Scholar and Humanist, Guide To School Tradition

Although the statue in front of the old building should be a constant reminder of our school's name-sake; and although the stained-glass chapel windows depict important scenes from his life, how many Erasmusians know what, much less who, Desiderius Erasmus was?

Furthered Culture

Erasmus the humanist; Erasmus the religious leader; Erasmus the author—merely three facets of the man who devoted his learning, his energy, his life, to the pursuance and spread of further knowledge and culture.

The scholar who was reviled bitterly by Martin Luther for his religious beliefs, and whose third work, "In Praise of Folly" is still a world-famous classic, was probably born in Rotterdam around 1469, living until 1536.

Wrote Classics

For years, his primary occupation was the writing of his editions of Greek and Latin classics, his Latin edition of the New Testament, and his original works. From 1516 on, Erasmus was the editor for the publisher Froben, at Basel, Switzerland, where the two collaborated on the Greek New Testament.

Newest of the three large windows is the memorial to Allen B. Doggett, a teacher here as well as a fine artist; this window is located in the Tower Studio, where he carried on his work. Planned by George Renouard, a student of the artist, the memorial has as its most important feature an adaptation of Mr. Doggett's own sketch of the Goose Girl from *Hans Brinker*, with other figures from the book also included. Money for this project was collected from students, friends, and alumni, and, according to the *DUTCHMAN* of 8 November, 1929, "The presentation was made by Miss Kate Turner, who said that the memorial was a tribute of love and affection by Mr. Doggett's friends."

The last of the memorial windows was presented to our school thirty-four years ago, but all three still glow with color during the day; students still stop and, looking at them, reflect a moment on the great tradition of their school.

Future Teachers Club Leads to Fine Careers

Although a relatively recent addition to the school's roster of clubs, the Future Teachers' Club has already succeeded in amassing a long list of accomplishments, one of which was an "Honorable Mention" gained in the Future Teacher of the Year Competition by senior Carol Weiss.

Organized in September, 1963, with the main goal of keeping its members informed of teaching requirements and any changes that have taken place in these requirements, the club has held two career conferences and has entertained several guest speakers at its meetings.



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His original works were mainly satirical criticisms of the times. Prominent are his (translated from the Latin) "Proverbs," "Manual of the Christian Knight," "Praise of Folly," "The Education of a Christian Prince" and "Colloquies." His collected letters also provide a good portrait of the man's basic thoughts and ideals.

Erasmus' personality was a combination of his great learning and his barbed wit, which made the name "Desiderius," a misnomer.

Track Team Enjoys Success, Three Seniors Gain Victories

"The greatest team Erasmus ever had," is one of many accolades given to Mel Heichman's track team. The three runners who are most responsible for the team's success are seniors Joe Gardner, Mel Jermison and Roger Lancaster.

The fastest of the three is Jermison. Mel's accomplishments rank him with the top runners in the nation. At present, he holds practically all of the school's sprint records. The most significant of which is his 47.3 clocking for his 440 anchor leg in the team's triumph over Boys High.

This time, if equaled in an individual race will qualify Mel for the Olympic trials. Mel will be trying for this time in the Brooklyn Championships, City Championships, and the Eastern States Championships. After graduation, Mel will probably matriculate to Maryland State University.

Roger, is ranked by many coaches as the top lead-off man in the city. Not only is Roger a top runner, he is also one of the better broad jumpers in the city. Roger holds the school record in the broad jump and is a constant 21-foot leaper. Roger's top time for the 220 on a lead-off leg is 22.1. Roger is also one of the few sub 50-second quarter milers in the city. He will probably go to Maryland State.

Strive For Success

Gardner is the jack of all trades on the team. Joe is the lead-off man on our championship mile relay team and is the third leg on the 880-yard relay team. In the dual meets he is usually our top 220 man. Joe is also quite adept in the field events. He is a 21-foot broad jumper and the top hop, step and jump man on the team. Joe holds the school record in the triple jump and is a constant 41-foot jumper. Joe will either go to Maryland State or Central State.

The three all agree that there is no substitute for the sweet taste of success. And to them, success is victory.



Runs 22.1

Honor White, Standard At Basketball Dinner

Captain Albie White and Co-captain Frank Standard were the recipients of awards at the annual basketball dinner held at Jahn's on Thursday, May 14.

Albie won the Larry Ritchie Memorial Scholarship, the Booster Award, and a three-year varsity letter. Sharon Sanders and Madeline Shaw presented the Booster Award. Albie will continue his education and basketball feats at Denver University. At the close of the hoop season, Albie gained second team All-City honors.

Standard Wins MVP

Frank garnered the most valuable player and high scorer trophies in addition to his three-year letter. Next year Frank will matriculate to South Carolina University. He will be coached by one of the most prominent college coaches in the country, Frank McGuire.

During the season Frank captured the most valuable player trophy in the St. Peters Invitational Tournament. At the end of the season Frank was named to the All-City first team and the all-star team which represented the city at the Allentown Tournament. He also made honorable mention All-America.

Administrators Speak

Coach Kirsner served as toastmaster and the speakers were principal John F. McNeill, administrative assistants Miss Grace Corey and Mr. Irving Pollack, acting health department chairman Al Badain, and sports columnist Jimmy Murphy.

Mr. Badain and Mr. Kirsner received gifts as tokens from the team. Coach Kirsner gave J. V. coach Badain a personal gift for his assistance with the team.

Jimmy Cargill won the team spirit award and Ricky Kraver, Larry Maisel and Frank Mickens received special senior awards.

Luncheon

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offices. In addition, the Teachers' Interest Committee, with chairman Harry Allan as its spokesman, presented Miss Corey with a cultured pearl necklace.

After the presentations, Miss Corey gave an acceptance speech, in which she expressed her gratitude not only for the time and effort that went into the luncheon, but also for the opportunity to serve and be part of this growing institution.

Following the gala affair, Miss Corey was almost at a loss for words to express her feelings, "It was absolutely lovely," she said, "I only hope that I deserved it."

Heich-Men Place In City, Borough Meets

Led by Roger Lancaster and Mel Jermison, the trackmen placed well in both the Brooklyn Championships and City Championships.

In the Brooklyn meet, Roger captured both the broad jump and the 220-yard dash. He jumped 21' 8 3/4" and ran the 220 in 21.8 seconds. Mel won the 440 with a meet record breaking time of 49.4 seconds. The other point scorers for the fourth place Dutchmen were Joe Gardner fourth in the 220 and Mike Walsh fourth in the shot put.

Scoring more points than ever before, the thinclads scored nine points and finished seventh in the city meet. Jermison triumphed again and got his name on the record books for his meet record shattering time of 48.2 seconds for the quarter. Lancaster finished fourth in the 220 and fifth in the broad jump. Mike Walsh who is improving with every meet placed fifth in the shot put. Gardner missed out for the 220 finals by one-tenth of a second. The mile relay team of Joe Lebovic, Stan Brimberg, Ben Ward and Robert Grimes finished seventh.

Golfers Defeat Generals 4-1; Lose Squeaker To Highwaymen

by Mike Goldberg

The borough champion Dutchman golf squad got off to a shaky start in their first match on May 6. They lost to Madison 4-1 but came back to defeat Wingate by the same score.

Junior Dave Alexander is the only member of the team who has won both matches. Mike Bell and Marty Roberts have split their matches, Ken Collins has one win, Ira Kleinman lost one and Richard Ashe, the top golfer on the squad has lost two very close matches.

Alexander in each of his matches holed beautiful 40-yard chipshots, and against his Wingate opponent it was for a match-winning birdie.

Edge Out Ashe

Richard Ashe played two very exciting matches. Against Madison, Ashe was down by four holes when he won the next three with pars, but fell one short of tying when he failed to win the last hole. Against Wingate he was tied after the first nine regulation holes but lost in the sudden death playoff on the tenth hole.

Marty Roberts split his two matches. In the match against his Madison opponent, Marty played well but did not win because his opponent couldn't do anything wrong that day. Against Wingate, his long game was slightly off, but he played well on and around the greens.

Bell Splits Matches

Mike Bell also split his matches. He vanquished his Wingate opponent by beating him by five strokes with only three holes left to play. Against Madison, Mike played flawless golf from tee to green but misfortune cost him the match on the last hole. To round out the squad Ira Kleinman lost his only match to his Madison opponent and Ken Collins defeated his Wingate opponent on May 12.

FLASH—The golfers triumphed over Boys High 5-0, on Monday May 18. Richard Ashe, Mike Bell, Kenny Collins, Ira Kleinman, and Marty Roberts were the victors.

Diamondmen Have 9-6 Record; Out Of Contention For Title

by Ray Greenfield

After a pre-season record of 6-1, the diamondmen coached by Austin Dugan, dropped 5 games in league play while winning 3. "We hope to even it up at .500 in the next two league games against Tilden and Midwood," said coach Dugan.

The team started off by beating Sheepshead Bay 2-0 and Wingate 6-4. They dropped the next five games to Madison 4-0; Tilden 6-5; Sheepshead Bay 4-3; Midwood 4-3 in 9 innings and Wingate 9-4. They posted a shutout over Madison 2-0 for their only other win of the season. Coach Dugan was perturbed by the spotty pitching and the errors in the infield. In the second game against Wingate, Don Balsamo was knocked out in two innings after allowing 7 runs on 7 hits, one of which was a home run. Carl Screen has two losses to his record, due to early inning errors.

In the first few games of the season, the starting lineup consisted mainly of seniors. After that, freshman Walter Adler was given a chance in the outfield and sophomore Eugene Rinaldi at shortstop. Adler has done an adequate job defensively and offensively while Rinaldi has played well in the field but needs more work at the plate. Senior Mark Eisen has played well in the infield and outfield. Mr. Dugan is pleased with Leslie Kershner. "Leslie proved that with

Girls' Sports

by Anita Kassoff

Our girls' health education department offers an opportunity for dedicated and conscientious girls to join a well-established school organization. This club, under the direction of Mrs. Ruth Wilner, is the Leaders' Club.

Since its inception in 1932, its membership has been limited to junior and senior girls. This year for the first time, sophomore students are in a separate "training" group called Junior Leaders' Club, under the leadership of Mrs. Zaslaw.

Girls must have a 75 per cent academic average, recommendations from their gym teachers and an 80 per cent in health education this term in order to be considered for membership.

Once accepted into Leaders' Club, the girls will be required to give one period of service daily in a gym class in which they will be expected to assist the teachers, take the attendance, assemble and store equipment, help the students, and referee games. Leaders are also called upon to usher at special school functions.

Tryouts for next term's Leaders' Club will be held shortly. Students will receive the exact information from their health education teachers.

"Leaders' Club objectives," explained Mrs. Wilner, "are to develop their leadership qualities and give these able students an opportunity to give service to their school and our health education department."



FIRST PLACE: Jermison Gets Baton and Lead

Foursome Takes Penn Relays; 3:22.8 Sets New School Mark

Accomplishing what no other PSAL school has done, the Dutchmen trackmen placed in a championship event in both the Queens-Iona and Penn Relays.

In the Queens-Iona meet, the relay team of Roger Lancaster, Richard Green, Joe Gardner, and Mel Jermison placed third in the championship 880 yard relay. The mile relay team of Rutheun Noel, Gardner, Lancaster, and Jermison placed second in the championship event. Their time in the 880, of 1:29.1 and in the mile of 3:22.8 broke the school records.

Ulbrich Stars In 4-1 Defeat To Lafayette

by Marty Kartin

The handball team lost to Lafayette on May 7. This loss killed their divisional championship hopes. This was the second time this season that a defeat was handed to the team by the Frenchmen. In this last encounter, the first "doubles" team lost 21-20 and the third "singles" lost 21-18. Thus by a mere five points, victory was turned into defeat.

During the P.S.A.L. season which began on April 16, the team routed Lincoln, Grady, New Utrecht twice, and Sheepshead twice. Mr. John Reinhardt, coach of the team, stated, "Although chances are slim, if we win our next two games against Grady and Lincoln, and if Lafayette loses any of their contests, a tie for the championship would result."

Coach Reinhardt is very pleased with the dependable work the boys turned in. He is pleased with the exceptional improvement in Arnold Silverstein and Dennis Joneleit. The captain of the team, Wally Ulbrich, who has remained undefeated in two years is no surprise to the coach.

"It was touch and go for awhile in that last game with Lafayette," said Wally. "The slightest move could have brought victory to us. I hope that next year's team will do as well even though five of the seven starters are leaving."

There are several promising boys who Mr. Reinhardt is depending on to lead next year's team. These first year members are Eddie Gold, Neil Berman, and Steven Dickstein. The coach added, "We are a young team and have much room for improvement. I am hoping that next February, when the team starts practice, we will have more people interested in handball."

Trackmen Win Local Relays; Mel Runs 48.1

by Steve Glusband

Coach Mel Heichman's thinclads captured the Flatbush Relay Carnival team title May 4 and 5. The Dutchmen amassed 33 points compared to Wingate's second place total of 26.

First place trophy winners were: Vincent Brathwaite, Harold O'Neil, and Darnell Wiggins, high jump; Joe Gardner, Roger Lancaster, and Ben Ward, broad jump; Gardner, Brathwaite, George Aycock, and Richard Green, 440 yard relay; Joe Lebovic, Robert Grimes, Rutheun Noel, and Mel Jermison, mile relay; and Larry Conway, Welton Fikes, Laurence Conway, and Gus Sheer in the Freshman 880 yard relay.

Runners Win Trophies

Second place trophy winners were Ben Ward, Michael Goldberg, Myron Greenshner, and Roger Lancaster in the Sprint Medley. Charles Brutton, Donald Leon, John Di Paolo, and Tom Dougherty, placed third in the shuttle hurdle relay. Mike Walsh, Edward Fieman, and Ken Donin finished third in the shot put relay.

The two mile relay team of Andrew Ferrara, Eric Cooper, Nick Kirksy and Richard Sills finished fourth. Laurence Pickens, Ralph Whitfield, Earl St. Hillaire, and Alan Blatt ended up fifth in the 440 yard relay.

Jermison Wins 440

Mel Jermison ran the second fastest time ever by a New York City schoolboy in the Mount St. Michael Meet. Mel ran a blazing 48.1 for his first place finish in the 440. Roger Lancaster finished third in the 220 with a 22.5 clocking.

Mel was never pushed on his way to his record-breaking time. Mel had a five-yard lead in the first twenty yards. He increased the lead and by the time he finished there was no one near him.

Junior Andrew Ferrara captured the individual 1000 yard run at the Novice Championships. Morrison Mebane, Eric Cooper, Darnell Wiggins, and Byron Dyce finished second in the mile relay with a 3:40.1 clocking.

Netmen Snatch Division Title; Play Midwood In Boro Finals

by Ben Turteltaub

Coach Al Badain's netmen continue to be the leaders of Brooklyn's division II. The squad defeated leading contender Madison 4-1 on May 6. Two days later, the team scored a similar triumph over New Utrecht in a game rescheduled from April 30. The squad's record to date is 7 and 0, with one game remaining. This game will be played against Grady Vocational on May 11.

The starting squad for the current season consists of Bob Lempert, who has recently been awarded a tennis scholarship to Bowling Green University and serves as the number one singles player, Mike Feit, number two man and Mike Esmond, number three. All of these players are seniors.

The doubles lineup includes Ed Sussman and Matt Corey, as the first tandem, followed by Paul Spirn and Dave Berkowitz. The substitutes of the squad are Bob Jossem, John Mitchell, Alan Demsky, and Mark Scheinbaum. Ed Birch serves as the team's manager.

Coach Badain said, "I was genuinely pleased with the team's performance to date. The boys have been able to perform at a rate of excellence I knew we could attain. I am confident we will go all the way this year."

Mr. Badain concluded by saying, "With this season nearly over, we intend to begin building for the coming season, which we hope will be as successful as the current one has been."

He also told of the afternoon intrascholastic tennis tournament and practice session to be held in the near future.

Bob Lempert will be entered in the singles, and Matt Corey, and Ed Sussman in the doubles of the P.S.A.L. individual tennis tourney to be held on June 1, at the Riverside Tennis Courts. Our division championship team will meet Midwood on May 25 for the borough title.



Don Balsamo

work he can be equal to any pitcher we have," he said. "Some pitchers use either their speed or slow stuff but he has been able to use both effectively."

The Dutchmen were handicapped by the rain during April. Prior to the games against Tilden and Madison they had no batting practice. However, Mr. Dugan offers no alibis. "The pitching wasn't as good as expected. When they did pitch well the fielding was inadequate. As for next year, we need catching badly and pitching as usual. We are seeking a catcher who is aggressive and alert. He must hit and throw well and move fast."

Chess Adviser Has High Hopes

"The chess team could be the best in the city next year, stated Mr. Irving Pollack, faculty adviser for the chess club and coach of the chess team. "What the club needs, however, is more support from the student body. The chess club is not only for the greatest players in the school."

The chessmen have been doing very well this year. They finished eighth in the Hanauer Tournament and they're in the finals of the Interscholastic Chess Tournament. In this tournament, the team plays one day a week.

Steve Alpern is first board on the team. He is 4 and 0 in the Interscholastic Tournament. Teddy Seidenfeld is second board and Bruce Fuchs is third board. Fuchs had the highest score on the Erasmus team (5½-2½) in the Hanauer Tournament, where he gained honors. In the Interscholastic Tournament, he has a record of 2½-1½. Ed Linschmidt and Jaye Marney are substitutes and Sheila Mintz is the secretary.

The chess club meets on Monday, period 9 in room 9 of the old building. "The team is only one phase of the club," said Mr. Pollack. "Anyone who is interested in chess should come down on Monday afternoon."

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SENIOR CELEBRITIES



CELEBRITIES: At the May 15 Buff and Blue Dance, these students learned that they had become Senior Celebrities through election by the Senior class. They are (seated, l. to r.): Best Dressed Girl Rosemarie Reenberg; Josie Erasmus Sybil Rudnick; Class Musician Katherine Davis; (middle, l. to r.): Class Dancer Trudi Mandel; Class Sculptress Nancy Shelby; Class Artist Iris Kaplow; Boy Athlete Larry Maisel; Class Wit Cheryl Whittington; Prettiest Girl Karen Bort; Class Pin-up Judi Schleifer; Class Cutie Madeleine Shaw; Girl Athlete Marilyn Rubin; (back, l. to r.): Class Photographer Michael Schuchman; Class Politician Ted Fichtenholz; Class Writer Glen Alterman; Handsomest Boy Bruce Cagner; Boy Most Likely to Succeed Mark Grant; Joe Erasmus Stuart Gordon; Class Actor Neil Pumper; Most Popular Boy Donald Moger; Best Dressed Boy Steven Gaines; Boy Who Did Most for the School Alan Rocklin.

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Contests

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Also in the linguistic category, three French students here have won high honors in the city-wide French contest sponsored by the Professeurs Francais en Amerique. They are seniors Michael Angrosino, Naomi Fischer, and Marie-José Fingnolé, all from Mr. Glickman's fourth-year advanced placement class. Mike won third prize and a gold watch, Naomi won sixth prize, a medal, and \$50, and Marie-José placed third in the foreign division, winning a book of French poetry and a medal.

In addition, on Friday, May 15, Naomi attended a ceremony sponsored by the Alliance Francaise in honor of outstanding students of French.

To round off the roster of student winners in spring competitions are five representatives from the art department. Alice Ruby, Gloria Levine, Myra Flatow, Amy Feldman, and Renee Wolf gained recognition in the National Scholastic Art Competition. Alice, Gloria, and Myra won gold medals, while Amy and Renee won honorable mentions. The work of all the nationwide winners will be on display in the Union Dime Savings Bank, 40th Street in Manhattan, from May 11 through May 29.

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Dramatics Club Plans Play; Thespians To Do 'Proposal'

The Dramatics Club recently presented a one-act farce by Anton Chekhov, *A Marriage Proposal*.

It was first done as a rehearsed reading at the Brooklyn Music School. Four other high schools were represented. The audience enjoyed the production so much that the club decided to present it for the benefit of our students.

The plot deals with a shy Russian young man, played by Alan Robbins, who comes to the house of a landowner, played alternately by Paul Hecht and Mark Milstein, to seek his daughter's hand. The girl, who is played by Barbara Pollack and Eunice Rapchik, does not know the purpose of the young man's visit. They argue and he leaves. When her father tells her why the young man had come, she gets him to return, and they continue bickering.

Harvey Horowitz, the club's president, was in charge of the play's direction. This story was chosen first, because it is an excellent comedy, and second, because it has no royalties attached. Its presentation was the first after-school offering since *Our Town* in 1942.

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